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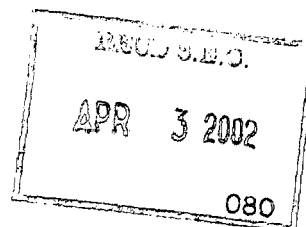


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April 3, 2002

Ms. Krista M. Hughes  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Branch of Filer Support 2  
Room 1004 -- STOP/1-4  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
Judiciary Plaza  
Washington, DC 20549



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Dear Ms. Hughes:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, FBR Asset Investment Corporation, Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A/A received on April 3, 2002. Tentative listing date - April 10, 2002.

Sincerely,

*Paras Madho*